



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	John LACOMBE et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	3871
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Filed:	08/17/2001	§	Examiner:	St. John Courtenay
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For:	Hardware Implementation	§	Docket No.:	200301694-1
	Of An Application-Level	§		
	Watchdog Timer	§		

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 20, 2004

AMENDMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 30, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include both the attached replacement sheets and the annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 15 of this paper.